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Title: IONIC LIQUIDS HAVING $[N(CF_3)_2]$ -ANIONS

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

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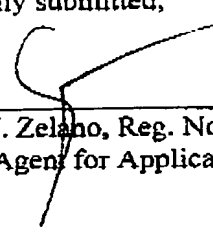
Attn: Paulette Kidwell

Sir:

Further to our telephone conversation with Paulette Kidwell, regarding the Notice of Missing Requirements dated October 18, 2005, (copy enclosed), it is believed that the Notice was issued in error. Applicant submitted the Declaration of the inventors on June 13, 2005, accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.66.

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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

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SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge

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*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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